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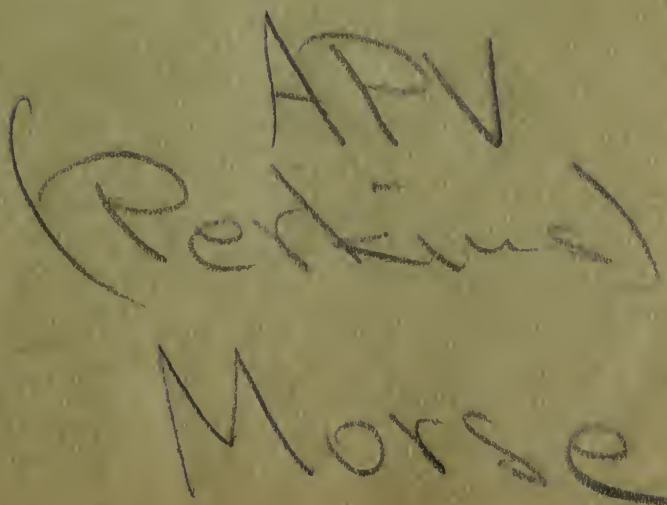
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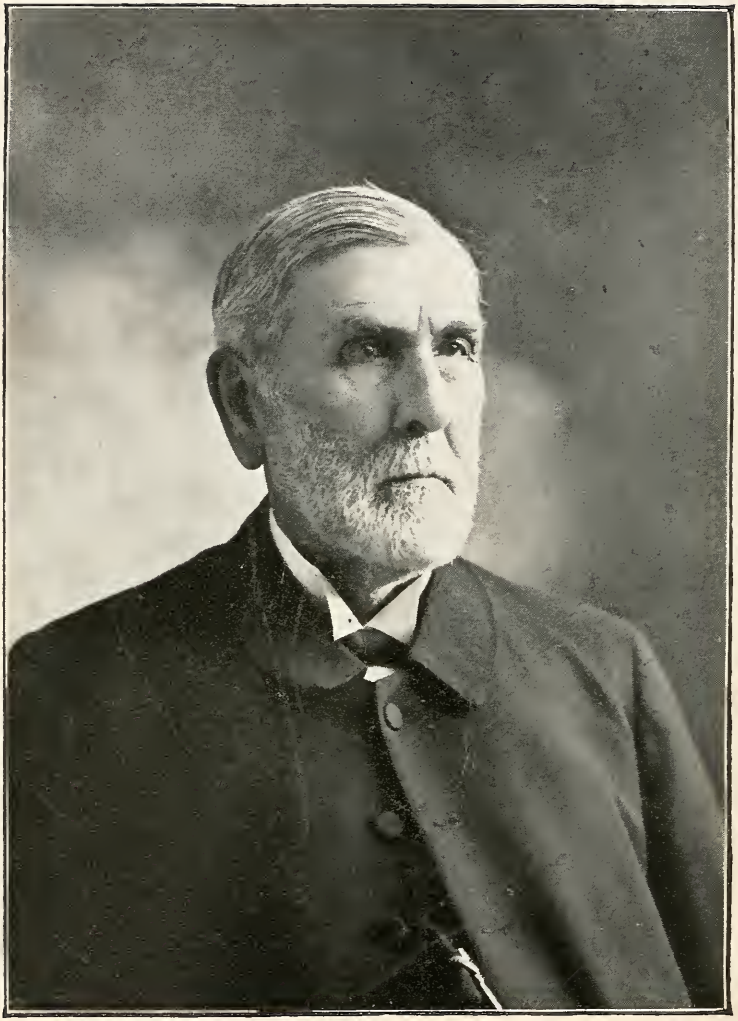

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MEMORIAL SKETCHES:

Master Abraham Perkins,

Jacob Thomas,

Nathan Heath,

John Dolloff, Jr.,
John Dolloff, Sr.,
and his father,
Samuel Dolloff,

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PREFACE.

The love of country is noble;
The love of kindred is nobler.

Marshall P. Wilder in an address before the N. E. Genealogical Society once said: "To know nothing of our ancestry or whence we came, to have no reverence for the precious memories of the past, or an interest in those who are to succeed us in the battle of life, is to ignore the elements and influences that have made us what we are, and to repudiate the natural instincts of the human heart." Says another: "It is natural to desire to learn who and what the men and women were whose blood flows in our own veins, many of whose traits we more or less consciously illustrate, and to whom we owe what we have and are in a far higher degree than we often appreciate."

The object of these sketches has been to trace the genealogy of my Beloved Mother, Abigail Thomas Morse, daughter of Jacob and Ruth Perkins Thomas. Her grandfather, Abraham Perkins, was a distinguished teacher; one of her sisters married Nathan Heath, another John

Dolloff, Jr., and still another Benjamin Morse. I had never seen any of these and knew almost nothing of them or of my numerous relatives. The desire to know more of them led to the preparation of these sketches, and having prepared them with much research and labor they are printed to preserve them and to afford others the pleasure we ourselves have experienced in knowing the history of our common ancestry.

A memorial of the Morses was published in 1896 by Hon. Asa P. Morse of Cambridgeport, Mass. This obviates the necessity of giving more than the merest outline of the Morses.

In a work of so many dates and figures errors are specially liable to occur; indulgence is asked for any that may be found. We are specially indebted to the Sanbornton Town History by the Rev. M. T. Runnels; others have rendered valuable assistance, to all of whom we tender our thanks.

We have occasion to be proud of our ancestors, of their virtues, their self-denials and prayers for their children. Let us cherish their memories, and imitate their virtues and strive so to live that when the summons shall come to us we shall be prepared to join the loved ones who have gone before.

C. F. Morse.

St. Johnsbury, Vt., 1898.

Memorial Sketch of Abraham Perkins.

The Perkins are a noted family. Previous to 1826 forty-two of that name graduated from New England colleges. The grandfather of Abigail Thomas, father of Ruth Perkins, was Master Abraham Perkins of Sanbornton, N. H. He was fifth in direct line from John Perkins of England, who was born in 1590, came to New England to live in 1630, was admitted as freeman of Ipswich, Mass., in 1632, was representative in 1636, and died in 1664. Elsewhere in Massachusetts was another Abraham Perkins, admitted as freeman in 1640, and an Isaac Perkins, admitted in 1642.

The genealogical line was as follows: Abraham[5], Matthew[4], Matthew[3], Serg. Jacob[2], and John[1] of England.

Matthew Perkins, the father of Abraham, was born in Ipswich, Mass., in 1688. He married, first, Martha Rogers, by whom he had four children, and second, Mary Smith, by whom he had eight children. Of these Abraham was the seventh. Matthew died May 28, 1737. Mrs. Perkins was published April 12, 1740, to James

Gerrish of Berwick, Me., and removed with him to that frontier town, then much exposed to the depredations of the Indians. Tradition says that for six or seven years they did not dare go to church except as armed.

Abraham was but five years old when the family removed to Maine. Though subsequently a famous teacher, he enjoyed in his boyhood only six months' schooling. This was under Master Sullivan, father of the distinguished Gen. Sullivan of Revolutionary fame. He was of feeble constitution and small stature, never weighing more than one hundred and fifty pounds, and the latter part of his life only one hundred and twenty-five. He learned the shoemaker's trade in Berwick; and his lapstone—a large irregular black stone—and his two hammers, a larger and a smaller, are in the possession of his great grandson, John Perkins of Sanbornton, N. H. In 1756 or 1757 he married widow Mary Fogg, daughter of Jeremiah and Lydia (Dearborn) Sanborn. Thus Abigail Thomas Morse, through her grandmother Mary Sanborn, became connected with the distinguished Sanborn families.

The genealogical line of the Sanborns was: Jeremiah[5], John[4], William[3], William[2], John[1]. This John was born about 1600 in Derbyshire, Eng. He married Theodate, daughter of Rev. Stephen Bachilor, by whom he had three sons, John, William and Stephen. John Sanborn having died,

his widow with her three sons and her aged but vigorous father, now seventy years old, emigrated to New England in 1632. Mr. Bachilor preached awhile in Lynn, Mass., and then removed to Hampton, N. H., where he gathered, and became pastor of, the First Congregational Church in that place. In 1650 he returned to England and died at the advanced age of 101. He was a man of unusual ability and energy, and accomplished much good. David P. Perkins of Manchester, N. H., says of him: "Father Bachilor was one of the most remarkable men that ever lived in New England."

Soon after his marriage, Abraham Perkins removed to Exeter, N. H., as a better place for his trade. While there he was employed by the Proprietors of Sanbornton to survey and make a road in that new town. He removed thither in 1774 and settled on the lot of his wife's former husband (Fogg) about a mile northeast of the Square. At first he lived in a log house. This subsequently was replaced by a one-story frame building, which is still standing on the upper side of the road, a broad house with numerous closets and cupboards and a chimney, four feet by two, in the chamber. The structure is in a good state of preservation at the present time, and is owned by Dr. Ward of Sanbornton Square and tenanted by a Mr. Brown. We visited the place

in 1897, and it was delightful to contemplate in imagination this good father and teacher, Abraham Perkins, gathering his interesting family around the altar for devotions, reviewing his studies to keep fresh as a teacher, diligently improving his

THE PERKINS HOUSE.

leisure hours at his trade, and to picture each of the family, dignified Ruth among them, going to their several duties. In this pleasant home he died August 16, 1804.

He served in the Revolutionary War, and rose to the rank of Captain. However, he was mainly distinguished as a teacher, and was very generally called "Master Perkins." He taught all the schools in Sanbornton for nearly thirty years, going from district to district, receiving only four or five dollars per month and board. He continued his

teaching till within a few days of his death. He worked also at his trade during his spare hours.

Though small of stature, he presented a dignified appearance. He wore a three-cornered felt hat, a single breasted home-made coat, velvet breeches with silver plated knee-buckles, and carried a silver headed cane. It was the practice of the scholars to arrange themselves in two rows, facing each other, as he approached; he saluted them and passed between them into the schoolroom.

Several anecdotes are told of him. One states that a woman sent her daughter to school with knitting work. When the pupil went to the teacher for directions, he told her to narrow; and when she came again, he said, "Keep narrowing." This was repeated until the poor stocking was terminated in the middle of the leg.

A man of natural ability, of diligent application, of good judgment and of firm Christian character, he did noble service for his day and generation. The Sanbornton Town History says of him: "His influence in forming the character of the Sanbornton population in his own and following generation was hardly second to that of any minister of the gospel who ever resided in town."

FAMILY RECORD.

Abraham Perkins, b. April 1, 1735, in Ipswich, Mass., d. August 16, 1804, in Sanbornton, N. H.

His wife, Mrs. Mary Sanborn Fogg, b. June 6, 1733, d. May 25, 1823.

His children:

1. Anna, b. Nov. 8, 1758.
2. Jonathan, b. Oct. 17, 1760, in Exeter, N. H.
3. Esther Jane, b. Aug. 3, 1762, in Exeter, N. H.
4. Ruth, b. July 21, 1764, in Exeter, N. H., married Jacob Thomas.
5. Meribah Fogg, b. June 26, 1766, in Exeter, N. H.
6. Lydia, b. April 17, 1768, in Exeter, N. H.
7. Theodate, b. April 13, 1770, in Exeter, N. H.
8. Matthew, b. Nov. 18, 1782, in Exeter, N H, drowned at sea when 21 years old.
9. Mary B., b. Sept. 27, 1774, in Sanbornton, N. H. Died following year, aged 11 months and 8 days.

It seems strange that of so large a family only four males bearing the Perkins's name should survive. These four are as follows:

ABRAHAM PERKINS.

First, Abraham Perkins, the Shaker, the son of Jonathan Perkins above mentioned, and grandson of Master Abraham Perkins. He was born October 13, 1807. He joined the Shakers at Enfield, N. H., in 1827. Subsequently he removed to Canterbury, and became the school teacher and spiritual adviser of the Shaker Community in that place—a position which he has continued to

fill till the present time (1897). Though advanced in years, he enjoys good health. He is fine looking, venerable in appearance, and highly esteemed by all who know him. His picture was taken at the age of 91 years.

Second, Prof. George Henry Perkins, of the Vermont University, Burlington. He is a descendant of Jonathan mentioned in the family record above. This Jonathan had a son John Brewer, who had a son the Rev. Frederic Trenck Perkins, who was pastor for several years of the Congregational Church in Tilton, N. H. Prof. G. H. Perkins is a son of this Rev. F. T. Perkins. He was born September 25, 1844; graduated from Yale in 1867; was elected Professor of Natural Sciences in the University of Vermont, 1869,

PROF. G. H. PERKINS.

Third, John Perkins, born August 6, 1826, son of John Brewer just mentioned, and brother of Rev. F. T. Perkins. He served in the Civil War, in Company H, Fifteenth N. H. Regiment. He is now seventy-two years old, and has no children living. He resides a mile from Sanbornton Square, and is the one who has Master Perkins's lapstone and hammers.

Fourth, Henry Farnham Perkins, born May 10, 1877, son of Prof. G. H. Perkins. In 1897 he was Junior in the Vermont University. Upon him devolves the responsibility of perpetuating the Perkins name in the line of Master Abraham Perkins.

Memorial Sketch of Jacob Thomas.

The father of Jacob Thomas was Jonathan, one of the oldest and earliest settlers of the Thomas name in Sanbornton. The Hampton (N. H.) Town History speaks of a Jonathan Thomas born Oct. 5, 1712. He was the son of Capt. Benjamin Thomas, who was son of James and Martha (Goddard) Thomas of Dover, N. H. Capt. Benjamin Thomas was wounded in the seige of Louisburg, and received a pension of twenty pounds. Since about one-third of the Proprietors of Sanbornton came from Hampton, it is highly probable that the Jonathan Thomas of Sanbornton was the Jonathan Thomas of Hampton, whose birth, October 5, 1712, is referred to in the Hampton Town History. If such was the case, the genealogy would run: Jacob[4], Jonathan[3], Capt. Benjamin[2], James[1].

Assuming the identity of these two Jonathan Thomas, we find that he was assessor in Hampton in 1738, and that he held the same office in Sanbornton from 1775 to 1783. He is said to have been a noted hunter, and that he often passed

his winters in the "up country" in hunting and trapping. The time of his death is unknown.

The children of Jonathan Thomas were as follows:

1. Jonathan, J. . probably in Hampton. He was Corporal in Capt. Jeremiah Clough's company and one of the sixteen Sanbornton men who rushed to the defence of Charlestown after the battle of Bunker Hill. He continued in the service of his country till 1781.

2. Abigail Thomas, who married Abiel Chandler December 25, 1788. Her eldest child was Elizabeth (Eliza) born July 28, 1789, in Sanbornton. Elizabeth was married November 22, 1810, to Daniel Kidder of Bristol, N. H., and removed with him to Stewartstown, N. H., where she had eleven children of whom Leonard C. and James M. are still living in that town. On her one hundredth birthday several hundred people gathered to celebrate the event. We note some of the pleasant things said of her: "An interesting and charming woman;" "One of the most remarkable women that ever lived in the North country;" "A great Bible reader and a devoted member of the Baptist Church." She died Sept. 11, 1890. In Abigail Chandler and Eliza Kidder we probably have the relatives from whom were named later Abigail and Eliza Thomas, daughters of Jacob Thomas, of whom Abigail

married Col. Joseph Morse and Eliza married Benjamin Morse.

3. Jacob Thomas, b. January 31, 1763, probably in Hampton, N. H.; married October 13, 1785, Ruth Perkins, daughter of Master Abraham Perkins; d. December 20, 1835, at Avon, N. Y., at the home of his son, Matthew Thomas.

4. Enoch Thomas, who lived on one of his father's old places, lot 26, till April 24, 1799. At that time he sold out to Benjamin Philbrick, and thereafter his name disappears from the town records.

5. Elizabeth Thomas, b. June 8, 1768, in Sanbornton, N. H.; was married to Reuben Philbrick, April 8, 1788; d. May 20, 1790, in her 22nd year.

6. Lydia Thomas, who married Benjamin Powell, September 5, 1793. She was probably the youngest of Jonathan Thomas's daughters.

HISTORY.

Jacob Thomas was born January 31, 1763, probably in Hampton, N. H., as indicated in the genealogical sketch above. When he was about three years old, his father removed to the new town of Sanbornton where the lad grew up amid the disadvantageous surroundings of a frontier settlement. He did not learn to read until after his marriage. Then he did so under the tuition of

his wife. When fifteen years of age he entered the army as a fifer, and served three years. In consequence of this service he received afterwards a pension of eight dollars per month, which became an important means of support for himself and family. He was gifted with special ingenuity; and at one time when clothes and moccasins were needed for the soldiers, though he had never learned the trade, he set himself to making the required articles, and was eminently successful. While short in stature, he was agile and strong. It is related of him that, when a burly soldier undertook to put him over a fence, the result was that the soldier himself went over.

At the age of twenty-three he married Ruth Perkins, daughter of Master Abraham Perkins. He must have been a young man of promise to have married into so cultured and honored a family. He lived in Sanbornton for fifteen years, and then he seems to have removed to New Hampton Center. An old cellar on the north side of the road before reaching Frank D. Sanborn's saw mill is still pointed out as the place where his house once stood. It is a beautiful spot near a brook, in the waters of which, tradition relates, the family washing was often done. Here their interesting children grew up—Abigail, Eliza, Nancy, Esther, Joseph, Jacob, Matthew and Jonathan. Here we can see them in imagination playing by

the brook or gathering wild flowers in the woods. Here possibly the Morse brothers, Joseph and Benjamin, wooed and wedded Abigail and Eliza. However, the scanty data available seem to indicate that the girls, Abigail and Eliza, went to work in Bridgewater, N. H., and it was there that they first became acquainted with their future husbands, the sons of Daniel Morse, Esq., a resident of that place.

In 1810 Jacob Thomas himself seems to have removed to Bridgewater where the town records show that he paid taxes for ten years. Later there are traces of him as living again in New Hampton. Still later, in 1829, he went back to Sanbornton, the scene of his early wedded life, and lived with a son-in-law, John Dolloff, on the Bunker, or Moses, place. This place is situated three miles from New Hampton and the same distance from North Sanbornton, and is now (1897) occupied by Josiah Brown. Finally he went from here to Avon, N. Y., to the home of his son Matthew, with whom he lived until his death, which occurred December 20, 1835.

Jacob Thomas was a man of small stature, with dark complexion and blue eyes, and was eminently social, always ready to enjoy a frolic with his children and grandchildren. The habit of drinking, acquired in the army, clung to him for many years; but in middle life, with great resolution, he broke

off the habit, and as tradition states, "became a truly reformed and pious man."

RUTH PERKINS.

The wife of Jacob Thomas, Ruth Perkins, was born in Sanbornton, N. H., July 21, 1764, and was the daughter of Master Abraham Perkins, as has been already noted in these sketches. She is described as "of good size, with soft brown hair, grayish eyes and prominent nose." This last feature she bequeathed to some of her posterity. She is further described as "stately and dignified," "a devoted Christian and a constant Bible-reader." She possessed the sterling qualities of her honored father, and was highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. She died November 22, 1852, at Kendall, N. Y., at the home of her daughter, Eliza Morse, with whom she had made her residence after her husband's death.

FAMILY RECORD.

Jacob Thomas, b. January 31, 1763, d. December 20, 1835.

Ruth Thomas, b. July 21, 1764, d. November 22, 1852.

They were married October 13, 1785.

Children:

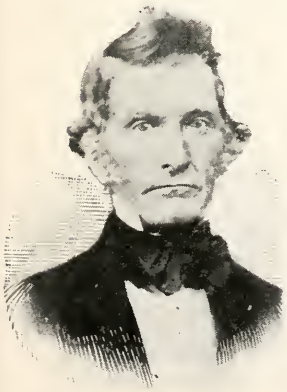
1. Joseph, b. June 17, 1786, d. June 17, 1807.
2. Abigail, b. May 11, 1789, d. October 8, 1872.
3. Polly, b. August 29, 1791.
4. Elizabeth, b. June 27, 1793, d. February 27, 1885.

5. Jacob, Jr., b. May 29, 1795, d. March 16, 1892.
6. Stephen, b. February 5, 1797, d. in infancy.
7. Nancy, b. July 23, 1798, d. April 9, 1875.
8. Matthew Perkins, b. July 3, 1800, d. July 22, 1895.
9. Esther, b. October 10, 1803, d. June 19, 1846.
10. Jonathan M., b. August 19, 1805.

1. Joseph, b. June 17, 1786, d. June 17, 1807.
2. Abigail, b. May 11, 1789.

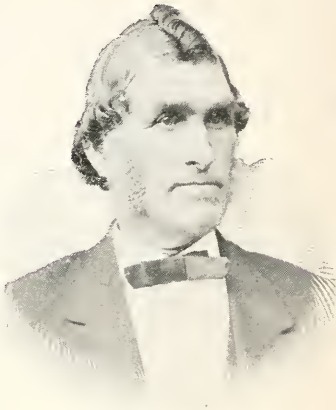
ABIGAIL MORSE.

Married Feb. 23, 1809, Col. Joseph Morse, son of Daniel Morse, Esq., of Bridgewater, N. H. In 1823 removed to Salem, Vt. Had ten children. The oldest son was Moses, born May 26, 1811; lived in Reading, Mass.; had a daughter, Abbie, who married Rev. Alexander Higgins and now (1897) resides in Somerville, Mass.; he died January 23, 1896. A second son was Joseph Perry, born July 4, 1819; resided in Portsmouth, N. H.; had two daughters; was postmaster during Lincoln's administration; died December 23, 1896. A third son, Charles Fitch, born July, 28, 1825, was a mis-



COL. JOSEPH MORSE.

sionary in Bulgaria, Turkey, for thirteen years; since 1884 has resided in St. Johnsbury, Vt., for the purpose of educating his nine children; has two sons who have graduated from Amherst, and three daughters from Mt. Holyoke. A fourth son is Rev. Stephen Bailey Morse, born August 20, 1827; was pastor in Providence, R. I., seven years; resides in Grafton, Mass., has two daughters and two sons, the two latter being graduates from Brown University, the eldest, Frank L., is a professor in Chicago.



MOSES MORSE.

REV. S. B. MORSE.

Abigail Thomas Morse was a strong character and exhibited the qualities of her distinguished ancestry—the Perkins, Sanborns, and Rev. Stephen Bachilor. "Her most prominent characteristic was her religious devotion. When the country was new she rode three miles on horseback to church, and was seldom absent. Twice daily did she read her precious Bible, and retire to her closet to hold communion with her God. She

was of a hopeful disposition, and had great influence over her family and in the community. October 8, 1872, she literally fell asleep in Jesus. When her daughter went to call her in the morning, she found her as if laid out with loving hands, her limbs straight, her arms folded and her eyes and mouth closed, with a peaceful aspect upon her countenance." She was short of stature, had hazel eyes and black hair.

ELIZABETH MORSE.

3. Polly, born August 29, 1791; married Mayhew Sanborn, May 22, 1811, and removed to Michigan.

4. Elizabeth, usually called Eliza, born June 27, 1793; married in 1814, Benjamin Morse (brother of Joseph Morse, husband of Abigail above;) removed first to Avon, N. Y., afterwards to Kendall; had eight children, the youngest of whom, John Milton Morse, a resident of Passaic, N. J., is distinguished for his poetic gift and has published a volume of poems, entitled "Memories of Childhood and Other Poems."

BENJAMIN MORSE.

This daughter had the pleasure of caring for her beloved mother in her declining years. She was a hard working woman, ready to every good work, kind and sympathetic. She died at her home in Kendall, February 27, 1885, mourned by a large circle of friends.

JOHN MILTON MORSE.

5. Jacob, Jr., born May 29, 1795; served eighteen months in War of 1812 and received a pension; in 1818 went with his brother Matthew to Avon, N.Y.; in 1836 removed to Genesee County, Mich., and in 1861 to Millington, Tuscola County, Mich., where he resided until his death. He married Polly Brown, and had three children, only one of whom, Mrs. Louise Crampton, survives. He is described as a "short stubby man, a regular Thomas in build." He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in which he was for sixteen years a class-leader and steward. He was greatly beloved and respected by all who knew him. His death occurred March 16, 1892, in his ninety-eighth year.

6. Stephen, born February 5, 1797; died May 18, the same year, aged three months and ten days.

7. Nancy, born July 22, 1798; married in 1814, John Dolloff, whose sketch see.

8. Matthew Perkins, born July 3, 1800. In 1818 he went with his older brother Jacob to Avon, N. Y. In 1821 (or 1822) he married Rachel Harrington of Avon. In 1833 he drove a horse team all the way from Avon to Sanbornton, N. H., after his aged father and mother, whom he took back with him. The father died two years later, and the mother in 1840 went to live with her daughter, Eliza Morse, in Kendall, N. Y. In 1865 he removed to Lowell, Mich., where he resided during the remainder of his life. March 23, 1867, his wife died. November 19, 1868, he married, at Avon, N. Y., Mary N. Stone, a native of Connecticut, born April 18, 1820. Was 82 when his picture was taken. He died June 22, 1895. His widow survives him, and resides in Lowell, Mich. She is the only aunt of the Thomas family now living and when the writer began the preparation of these sketches he was not aware that he had an aunt living. She furnished the very valuable record of the Thomas family given above. Mr. Thomas was a man of medium size, square build, somewhat portly, with blue eyes and black hair. He held numerous offices of trust, was an active member of the Baptist Church, and was highly respected.

MATTHEW P. THOMAS.

9. Esther, born October 10, 1803; married Nathan Heath; died June 19, 1846. See sketch of Heaths.

10. Jonathan M., born August 19, 1805, removed to Georgia and had sons in the Confederate army. He was a man somewhat taller and heavier than Matthew.

Memorial Sketch of Nathan Heath.

Nathaniel Webber Heath, commonly called Nathan, who married Esther, the youngest of the four daughters of Jacob and Ruth Thomas, was the son of James Heath, who was of small stature and nicknamed "Little Jimmie." James had two brothers, Moses and Josiah, who early removed to Stewartstown, N. H., where they lived and died. Their father lived with them, and died February 11, 1860, at the advanced age of 101. His death occurred in the same house in which Eliza Kidder subsequently died, also at the age of 101.

Nathan, uncle of the writer, was born in Bridgewater, N. H., October 8, 1800. He married in 1822, Esther Morrison Thomas. She was born October 10, 1803, and died June 19, 1846. After his wife's death he lived in Bristol, N. H. His occupation was renting and carrying on farms, and consequently his removals were frequent. He was ingenious and industrious, a great reader of the Bible, and it was said "he could argue like a minister." He dropped dead in the woods December 18, 1850.

His wife was a handsome, industrious and patient woman, a devoted member of the Methodist Church. She brought up faithfully and well her large family of children.

FAMILY RECORD.

Nathan Heath, b. October 8, 1800, d. December 18, 1850.

Esther M. Heath, b. October 10, 1803, d. June 19, 1846.

Children:

1. George W., b. July 26, 1823, d. April 8, 1896.
2. Ruth Perkins, b. November 5, 1825.
3. Levi Dolloff, b. August 13, 1827.
4. Moses Cross, b. May 23, 1829.
5. Nancy Dolloff, b. July 11, 1831.
6. Mary Ann, b. July 13, 1833.
7. Lovina Wells, b. December 5, 1836.
8. Emily Jane, b. July 6, 1837.
9. Hiram Taylor, b. August 31, 1839.
10. Lourilla Perkins, b. May 13, 1843.

1. George W., born in Bridgewater, N. H., July 26, 1823; was unmarried; served in the Sixth Vermont Heavy Artillery in the Civil War and was in a Confederate prison for awhile; made his home in Stewartstown, N. H., where he died April 8, 1896.

2. Ruth Perkins, b. November 5, 1825. Married first, July 21, 1846, Merrill P. Simons of Alexandria, N. H., who was born July 15, 1822. Mr. Simons enlisted March 24, 1864, in the Second

New Hampshire Cavalry and died of sunstroke June 22, 1864, in Virginia, while on the march.

Children by this marriage:

1. Annette A., b. May 23, 1847.
2. Charles F., b. March 29, 1849.
3. Lucina F., b. September 19, 1850.
4. George O., b. November 5, 1856.
5. Orrin A., b. July 10, 1859.
6. Flossie E., b. November 9, 1861.
7. Albon M., b. April 24, 1864.

Ruth married, second, Charles S. Brown of Boston, September 11, 1869. He was born January 22, 1829. No children of this marriage. Mr. Brown was a soldier in Company C, Twelfth New Hampshire Volunteers; was wounded in the battle of Chancellorsville, and was discharged October 7, 1864. He died March 8, 1886. Mrs. Brown lives in Bristol, N. H., and has a pension.

MRS. RUTH P. BROWN.

3. Levi Dolloff, b. in Bridgewater, N. H., August 13, 1827. Married Augusta Harriman; lives in Amoskeag, N. H., has no children, is a stone mason and carpenter by trade.

4. Moses Cross, born May 22, 1829. Lives in Franklin Falls, N. H. Served three years in the

Fifth New Hampshire Volunteers, and receives a pension. Married November 29, 1851, Susan Pettingill.

Children:

1. Sarah Frances, b. March 24, 1853, d. April 5, 1877.
2. George Washington, b. August 3, 1861, married September 21, 1884, Charlotte Knight of Stewartstown, N. H., b. June 15, 1864. Four children: i. Freddie Albion, b. July 27, 1885; ii. Leon Benjamin, b. July 28, 1887; iii. Zella May, b. July 19, 1892; iv. Starling Moses, b. October 10, 1897.
3. Esther Mahala, b. March 6, 1866, married Thomas H. Holden of Stewartstown, N. H., November 24, 1881, resides in Franklin Falls, N. H.
4. Hiram Taylor, b. November 7, 1868, married Etta Clifford of Alexandria, N. H., June 26, 1889, lives near his father.
5. Hattie Belle, b. February 16, 1870, married Wilbur Greenleaf of Belmont, N. H.

5. Nancy Dolloff, born July 11, 1831, married John Rowe of Barrington, N. H., who enlisted and died in the army. Eight children.

6. Mary Ann, born July 13, 1833, married in 1852, Wesley Haines of Bristol, N. H.; died July 30, 1884, in Bristol. Mr. Haines died in 1892 in Franklin Falls, N. H. Four children as follows:

1. Ida F., b. October 8, 1854, married January 13, 1872, Hosea B. Quint, had three children—i. Edgar M., b. May 7, 1873; ii. Erdine M., b.

August 3, 1874; iii. Ida V., b. September 16, 1876, d. October 1, 1881.

2. Orville L., b. February 12, 1860.
3. Arletta M., b. May 2, 1862.
4. George W., b. January 24, 1864.

7. Lovina Wells, born December 5, 1836. Has the Thomas features. Married, first, Horace G. Kirk of Bristol, N. H., November 11, 1852. He lived four years after marriage, and died Nov. 9, 1856. Married, second, Stephen P. Kirk, brother of the above, January 27, 1857. There is one son of this marriage, Frank N. C., born January 9, 1881. Residence, Bristol, N. H.

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8. Emily Jane, born July 6, 1837, married January 31, 1853, Edwin O. Marden of Bristol, N. H., who was born December, 1833. In 1863 he was drafted into the Fifth New Hampshire Regiment and served during the war. Children:

1. A son, b. January 31, 1854, died when two weeks old.
2. Nellie L., b. October 5, 1857, married October, 1888, William Gordon, d. October 19, 1897.
3. Elnie M., b. August 25, 1859.
4. Carrie B., b. July 31, 1861.
5. Lurie C., b. September 14, 1863.

9. Hiram Taylor of Stewartstown, N. H., born August 31, 1839; married November 28, 1868, Ellen F. Brown of Bristol, N. H., who was born October 17, 1842; served in the Twelfth New Hampshire Volunteers. Three children.

1. Levi N., } Twins, b. September 8, 1871.
2. George W., }
3. John F., b. August 30, 1875.

John and George were drowned August 8, 1883.

10. Lourilla Perkins, born in Bristol, N. H., May 13, 1843. Is an honored member of the Methodist Church. Married, first, Frank Cross, and lived in Bridgewater, N. H.; married, second, Otis A. Wade, and lives in Bristol, N. H. Has no children.

Memorial Sketches of the Dolloff Family.

The earliest Dolloff of whom any trace has been found is Christian Dolhoof of Exeter, N. H., who in 1667 recorded in that place the birth of his daughter Mary, and made a large purchase of land. His first wife was Rachel; his second Sarah.

The name is variously spelled Dolhoof, Dolhof. Savage in his Genealogical Dictionary spelled it Dolhaff and Dolhert. Rev. John Pike in his Journal spelled it Dolhough.

Christian Dolhoof seems to have been a man of considerable property and influence. He died August 18, 1708, leaving six children—Samuel, Richard, Thomas, Mary, Prudence and Catherine. Samuel and Richard in recording the birth of their children spelled the name Dolloff, and this is the general spelling of the name, although Doliff and Dolof and Dalof occur.

NATIONALITY.

The names of his wives and children are good English names, but no trace of any Dolloff has

been found in England or Scotland. George A. Gordon of the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, says: "You may be sure that Christian Dolloff was no Englishman, Scotchman or Irishman."

While no historical proof of the nationality of the Dolloffs has been found, various traditions exist. William Knox Dolloff of Fitch Bay, P. Q., a descendant, as is supposed, of Richard, says: "I have always heard that the Dolloffs came from Germany. Two brothers came." The spelling Dolhert favors German origin. Mrs. E. H. Cross of Bristol, N. H., daughter of Abram Dolloff, a descendant from the Exeter, N. H., Dolloffs, says: "The tradition we have is that in the early days of Portsmouth an Englishman brought over a Russian lad by the name of Dolloff, and that he is the ancestor of the Dolloffs in this country." Miss Ellen A. Mills of Nashua, N. H., a descendant of Richard Dolloff, says: "Our line have always said that he (the first Dolloff) was a lieutenant in the Russian army, and fled to this country for political reasons."

But a more pleasing and probable tradition is that Christian Dolhoof was a Russian nobleman who for some political or religious reason sought refuge in this country, and settled in Exeter, N. H. His wealth and position favor this tradition, and the name, "Christian," which is not a common

Russian name, may have been given to him in consequence of religious persecution.

The strongest evidence that the Dolloffs are of Russian descent is the name itself. The termination "off" seems almost certain proof of Russian origin. There are no family names in Russian. Every man has, besides his own given name, his father's given name with a suffix "off" meaning "son of." Suppose the father's name to be Peter and the son's name John, or in Russian Ivan, this son would be called Ivan Petroff, i. e., John, Son of Peter. If this John had a son named Demeter, this son would be called Demeter Ivanoff—Demeter, Son of John, and not Demeter Petroff. Thus in Russian no family names are perpetuated.

All family names in English have an origin. Thus we have the names Long, Short, Green, etc. Some characteristic or circumstance, properly described by these words, first gave rise to the name. For example, we may suppose the first man called Long was an unusually tall man. Why should not this same method of originating names have existed in Russia? The Russian word for long is dolg; and thus a very tall man might have been nicknamed Dolg or Long. If he had a son Christian, this son would be known as Christian Dolgoff; i. e., Christian, Son of Dolg. The children of Christian would be known as Christianoff. But Christian Dolgoff having come to this country,

he and his children would adopt the English custom of keeping the father's last name as a family name. The spelling of the name would undergo a change by a law of euphony, according to which the g in Dolgoff would become h, and then would be omitted, with the doubling of the preceding letter. The process would be: Dolgoff, Dolhoff, Dolloff. The last two steps of this process are illustrated historically in the fact that Christian Dolloff spelled his name with an h—Dolhoof or Dolhof, while the children adopted the spelling Dolloff.

If this derivation be correct, and we believe it is, then Christian Dolloff became the founder of the name Dolloff, and all the Dolloffs in the world are his descendants. As a matter of fact no Dolloffs have as yet been found whose origin could not be traced to him. If the question be raised whether the Russian emigrant may not have been the father of Christian rather than Christian himself, it is a sufficient answer that, in such a case, he would seemingly have had to emigrate to America before the Pilgrim Fathers: therefore, the supposition is hardly tenable. All things considered, we are inclined to the belief that Christian Dolloff was the Russian who first emigrated to America and became the founder of the Dolloff name. The Dolloffs are almost entirely confined to New England.

Besides Samuel Dolloff of New Hampton, N. H., of whom we shall speak fully below, there was a Thomas Dolloff who lived near New Hampton Village, and had two sons, Asahel and Col. Jesse, and a daughter Abigail, who married Stephen Gordon. In the adjoining town of Meredith was a Samuel Dolloff, known as "Little Samuel," who had a son John Steven, the father of Phœbe Ann Plummer of Laconia, N. H., and another son Samuel, born in 1809, who lived in Waterville, N. H., and died there in 1895. It appears further that the father and grandfather of "Little Samuel" were also both named Samuel. Both lived in Epsom, N. H. Thus in this line there were four generations of Samuel Dolloffs.

There were also two other families of Dolloffs in Meredith—David and Thomas. Some of these Meredith Dolloffs lived at times in New Hampton; but it does not fall within the scope of this work to give a history of these.* Rather in accordance with the author's purpose to trace the genealogy of his mother and of her relatives, this sketch of the Dolloffs will be confined to his uncle, John Dolloff, Jr., and the latter's father,

*Miss Ellen A. Mills, 41 Chestnut St., Nashua, N. H., is enthusiastically engaged in studying and compiling a genealogy of the Dolloffs, and is deserving of the cooperation and assistance of all who can furnish data.

John, Sr., and grandfather, Samuel. We speak of these because of the close inter-relationship of these families with each other.

The first trace of Samuel Dolloff of New Hampton, N. H., is a deed signed by him and his "wife Rhoda," conveying a parcel of land in Poplin, N. H., (formerly a part of Exeter, now Fremont) to Thomas Chase, May 1, 1772,—land given to him originally "by his grandfather Samuel Dolloff of Exeter in his last will." In this deed he signed himself, "I Samuel Dolloff of Poplin." In 1782 he deeded to one Giddings of Exeter, N. H., the homestead of his "late father, Samuel Dolloff of Exeter." In this deed he signed himself, "I Samuel Dolloff of New Hampton." These two deeds show that Samuel Dolloff of New Hampton had formerly lived in Poplin, and was son of Samuel Dolloff, Jr., of Exeter, and grandson of Samuel Dolloff, Sr., and great grandson of Christian Dolloff of Exeter. "His wife, Rhoda," was Rhoda Flanders, daughter of Samuel Flanders who was the great grandfather of Capt. John M. Flanders of New Hampton Village, N. H. Besides Rhoda there were Samuel, Abigail, Mary, Mehitabel and Onesiphorus.

Rhoda was born December 19, 1734, in Salisbury, Mass. The father died when the children were young, and the mother removed to Poplin, N. H. No data has been found of Samuel Dolloff's birth,

but he was probably about the age of his wife. His birthplace was Exeter, N. H. After his marriage he lived in Poplin, until he removed to New Hampton. The Sanbornton (N. H.) Town History says: "Samuel Dolloff of Exeter early removed to New Hampton, when his son John was sixteen. This John the first winter with the assistance of a little dog and axe killed a bear, while felling a tree in the primeval forest." This bear story is confirmed by Joseph P. Dolloff of East Andover, N. H., who remembers hearing his grandfather tell many times the story, with all the details.

John was born in 1761. This makes the date of his father's coming to New Hampton 1777—the year the town was incorporated. He evidently pre-empted a claim and built a log house. When he felled the first tree, he is reported to have said: 'Here I cut my first tree, and here my body shall lie." The spot became the family burying ground. It is situated about four rods northeast from the present house. In this sacred spot, enclosed by a wall, repose the mortal remains of Samuel and Rhoda, John and Elizabeth, Jonathan, Joseph and Betsey, and others of the family. It is to be regretted that no stones mark the resting place of Samuel and his wife. The remains of John and Jonathan were first buried on land belonging to John; but when the place was sold by Beniah in 1842, they were removed to the family lot.

In the New Hampshire State Papers, Vol. xii., p. 707, there is a record of a town meeting held at Samuel Dolloff's, August 16, 1781. There is also a record of another meeting held at the same place when "Samel dollof and iohn dollof were present." September 26, 1782, two hundred and fifty acres of land were purchased of Samuel Langdon of Hampton Falls for seventy-five pounds current money. This land was probably the same as had been previously pre-empted. It was a hill farm on a southern slope, commanding an extensive view of beautiful scenery. It lies two and a half miles from the present railroad station

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Winona (formerly New Hampton) and five miles from New Hampton Village and three miles from

Meredith Center. The original house probably was replaced by a frame building, which in its turn was pulled down, when the present dwelling was erected, a few rods to the west, by William Shores, who purchased the place probably on the death of Mr. Dolloff, which is supposed to have been in 1820, in his eighty-sixth year. Joseph P. Dolloff, son of John Dolloff, Sr., bought back the place in 1836, and it has continued in the possession of his family as the Dolloff homestead till the present time. It is now owned and occupied by Mrs. J. W. Edgerly, who was Emma Dolloff, youngest daughter of Joseph P. Dolloff.

Samuel Dolloff is said to have been of medium height, thickset and of full face. Reliable data are lacking, but it is supposed that his marriage occurred in Poplin (now Freemont) N. H., in 1760. He had two children, John and Mary (Polly). Mary was five years the younger.

FAMILY RECORD OF MARY DOLLOFF.

Mary Dolloff married Deacon Joseph Sanborn of New Hampton Village. Her family record, as obtained from the tombstones in the Sanborn private burial-ground, is as follows:

Joseph Sanborn, b. 1760; d. January 20, 1834, Ae. 74 years.

Mary, his wife, b. 1766; d. November 17, 1826, Ae. 60.

Children:

1. Levi, b. 1786; d. August 12, 1818, Ae. 32 years.
2. Joseph, b. 1791; d. January 20, 1824, Ae. 33 years.
3. Polly, b. 1794; d. March 7, 1878, Ae. 85 years, 10 months.
4. Betsey, b. 1798; d. July 23, 1821, Ae 23.
5. Rhoda, b. 1801; d. September 15, 1827, Ae. 26.
6. Parker, b. 1803; d. January 10, 1833, Ae. 29.
7. Plumer, b. 1806; d. November 17, 1829, Ae. 21 years, 7 months.
8. Asahel J., b. 1810; d. February 11, 1846, Ae. 36.

There are besides two unmarked graves.

Levi married Hannah Prescott of New Hampton and had a son Levi, who died unmarried. Polly was unmarried. Asahel married Sarah Favor of New Hampton, and had a daughter.

It appears from a deed that Joseph Sanborn bought in 1806 the homestead of his father-in-law, Samuel Dolloff, and that he resold the same to the latter May 11, 1809, for the sum of four hundred dollars. In this deed Mr. Sanborn is styled "Gentleman," and Mr. Dolloff "Husbandman."

John Dolloff, son of Samuel, is supposed to have had a part of the original farm, and to have lived about twenty rods from his father's house, on the south side of the road. Between the homes of father and son there was a small stream upon which was a grist-mill serviceable a portion of the year. This John, after the birth of all his children

(recorded below) bought forty acres of land of John Harris in Strafford, Vt., for six hundred dollars, and then resold the same a few months later to Mr. Harris. It is not probable that he removed to Strafford, but lived and died upon his New Hampton farm.

John is described as below the medium height, of light complexion with dark brown hair, hazel eyes, small mouth, and Roman nose. He is said to have strikingly resembled his grandson William Penn Dolloff whose picture see. He combined the trades of cooper and farmer. He was well educated for the times, and desired in early life to be a minister; but circumstances were unfavorable.

The following table of genealogical descent will enable each family of Dolloffs to determine how far removed they are from Christian Dolloff: Christian Dolloff[1], Samuel[2], Samuel[3], b. February 1, 1703, Samuel[4] of New Hampton, N. H., John[5], John and brothers and sisters[6], their children[7], grandchildren[8], and great grandchildren[9].

FAMILY RECORD OF JOHN DOLLOFF, SR.*

John Dolloff, b. September 19, 1761; d. November 7, 1833.

Elizabeth Preston, his wife, b. September 18, 1762; d. December 25, 1846.

*This family record, except the deaths, is copied from the New Hampton Town Records, and evidently was prepared and recorded after the birth of all the children.

Children, all born in New Hampton, N. H.

I. Samuel, b. September 19, 1785; d. June 20, 1824.
II. William Preston, b. July 5, 1788; d. 1817.
III. Polly (Mary) H., b. April 4, 1790.
IV. John, Jr., b. March 22, 1792; d. August 26, 1871.
V. Joseph Preston, b. July 23, 1794; d. April 19, 1847.
VI. Jonathan, b. January 5, 1796; d. November 1831.
VII. Betsey Simpson, b. May 8, 1798.
VIII. Sally Veasey, b. June 20, 1801; d. August 9, 1872.
IX. Elijah Blake, b. April 19, 1803.
X. Beniah, b. April 18, 1805; d. July 7, 1869.

I. Samuel, born September 19, 1785; died June 20, 1824. Was unmarried.

II. William Preston, born July 4, 1788. Married January 25, 1816, Mary Emmons of Bristol, N. H. Had a son William, who lived and died in New Hampton. The father went West, and died in 1817. Place of death unknown.

III. Polly H., born April 4, 1790. Married Jonathan Judkins, Jr., of Sanbornton, who was born 1794, lived on his father's place, and died March 29, 1834, Ae. 40 years. Polly died at the home of her daughter Susan, in Sanbornton, Ae. 75 years.

Five children:

1. Eben, born May 1, 1815. Was a musician. Had three children: i. Melvina, born May 30, 1839; ii. Josephine, born September 11, 1842; iii. Frank Rinaldo, born May, 1847, and died November 21, 1847.
2. Sarah, born October 13, 1819. Married Bartlett K. Taylor. See Sanbornton History, p. 772.
3. Susan, born November 14, 1822. Married Perry Colby, January 22, 1843. Had five children. See Sanbornton History, p. 174.
4. John Dudley, born February 17, 1825. Married December 5, 1848, his cousin, Mahala Preston Dolloff, daughter of Jonathan and Martha Copp Dolloff. She was born February 16, 1829.
5. Peter, twin brother of John Dudley, died when two years old.

IV. John, Jr., born March 22, 1792. He was uncle of the writer, having married the sister of Abigail Thomas, wife of Col. Joseph Morse, and daughter of Jacob Thomas, and granddaughter of Master Abraham Perkins of Sanbornton, N. H. He combined the occupations of shoemaker and farmer. After his marriage he lived a few years in New Hampton; then removed in 1817 to Strafford, Vt., where Joseph and Jacob were born; then in 1821 he returned to New Hampton and lived some

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years near his father. From 1829 to 1843 he lived on the Bunker place in Sanbornton, N. H., sharing his home with his father-in-law, Jacob Thomas, until the latter removed to western New York, to the home of his son Matthew. After this John Dolloff occupied for awhile the Alonzo Dolloff place in New Hampton, going finally from there to Meredith Center to spend his declining years at the home of his daughter Laurenia—Mrs. Daniel Pike Smith—where he died August 26, 1871, aged 79.

He was a large man, weighing one hundred and eighty to two hundred pounds; had a florid complexion, black hair and eyes; was neat in his personal appearance, and was a successful farmer. Addicted to drink in early life, he reformed in later years. Naturally quick in temper, he was a Christian man and learned self-control. He was distinguished for his honesty, "his word being as good as his bond."

His wife, Nancy Thomas, was born July 20, 1798. She had red cheeks, blue eyes, and light complexion, and was noted for her good looks. She was a Christian, and patience and amiability were distinguishing traits of her character. She died April 9, 1875, at the age of 77.

NANCY DOLLOFF.

John Dolloff, Jr., b. March 22, 1792; d. August 26, 1871.

Nancy Dolloff, b. July 20, 1798; d. April 9, 1875.

Children:

1. Laurenia, b. February 5, 1815; d. March 6, 1879.
2. Joseph Preston, b. July 27, 1818.
3. Jacob Thomas (Hale), b. July 15, 1820; d. August 3, 1886.
4. John Simpson, b. March 25, 1824.
5. Elizabeth Perkins, b. July 29, 1826.
6. Julia Ann, b. September 28, 1829.
7. Betsey A. Harvey, b. May 23, 1831.
8. Susan Perkins, b. April 14, 1834.
9. Alonzo Franklin, b. May 31, 1836.
10. Lydia M. Perkins, b. February 20, 1840.
11. Lyman Perkins, b. March 1, 1842.
12. Edwin Allen, b. 1844; d. in infancy.

1. Laurenia, born February 5, 1815, probably in New Hampton. Married, first, Amos Small of Lowell, Mass., March 16, 1837, who died October 14, 1837. Married, second, Nathan Ballard, April 20, 1841. Mr. Ballard was overseer in one of the Lowell mills. He died in New Hampton, August 17, 1856, aged 48. Married, third, Daniel Pike Smith, January 18, 1858. As Mrs. Smith she had the pleasure of caring for her aged parents in their

declining years. She died March 6, 1879, aged 64. Mr. Smith is still living (1897) and has his home on the old place with his son Joseph.

2. Joseph Preston (named for his uncle.—See Family Record of John Dolloff, Sr.), born July 27, 1818, in Strafford, Vt. Married, first, Almira Clark of Lowell, Mass., who was born February 25, 1818, and died in Franklin Falls, N. H., December 11, 1877. Four children by this marriage:

1. Charles Herman, b. October 28, 1843, in Lowell, married, first, Alice Locklin, September 28, 1865, and second, Etta Viola Hannaford, November 19, 1886, in Penacook, N. H. She was born March 16, 1862. Had one son, Charles Herbert, b. March 16, 1890. Mr. Dolloff was policeman in Laconia, N. H., and dropped dead in the street July 18, 1889. Mrs. Dolloff and son reside at 42 Province St., Laconia, N. H.
2. Mary Emily, b. March 24, 1845, in Lowell, married Erwin W. Haynes, September 16, 1865; d. August 3, 1882; left one son, Joseph Erwin.
3. John Folsom, b. April 13, 1849, in Sanbornton, N. H.; married March 5, 1870, Augusta Annie Dame of Dover, N. H., who was born March 30, 1847. Owns a large farm in East Andover, N. H., two miles from his father's place. Has no children.
4. Cynthia Ann, b. April 18, 1852, in New Hampton, N. H.; married George B. Moore, and resides in Somerville, Mass., No. 12, Highland Avenue.

She is an accomplished musician and musical instructor. Has no children.

Joseph Preston Dolloff married, second, Emily Ann Rowe Scribner of Andover, N. H., October 8, 1878. He resided thirty years in Franklin Falls, N. H. Since 1880 his home has been in East Andover, N. H. He has a fine personal presence, and is now (1898) in his eightieth year.

MRS. CYNTHIA A. MOORE.

3. Jacob Thomas (name afterwards changed to Herman Thomas Hale) born July 15, 1820, in Strafford, Vt. When fifteen years of age he went to live with Jesse Sanborn in the northern part of Sanbornton, N. H. Mr. Sanborn was a man of marked ability and strong character, and a Whig in politics. Young Dolloff embraced his views and voted the Whig ticket. Political feeling ran high in those days, and his Democratic father was highly displeased with his course and told

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him that he had disgraced the Dolloff name. The young man replied: "Then I will change my name;" and forthwith he petitioned the legislature and obtained the change of his name to Herman Thomas Hale. As Mr. Hale he became leader of the Whig party in Sanbornton, which was then in the minority. He was a man of unusual energy and influence, and through his assiduous labors the politics of the town became in time Republican. He was honored with the office of selectman in 1859, and again in 1869. In the latter year he was chosen also town agent to oppose the setting off of Tilton into a separate township. He professed religion at the age of seventeen, and united with the Baptist Church in Gaza. He married into the Sanborn family, and eventually came into the possession of the Sanborn homestead. He died August 3, 1886.

MRS. HANNAH HALE.

N. P. HALE, ESQ.

Marriages and children of Herman Thomas Hale:

Married, first, Elvira March Sanborn, January 10, 1843. She was born April 3, 1824, and died July 15, 1853. There were four children from this marriage:

1. Sarah Augusta, b. July 1, 1845; married Aaron Eastman, and had three children.
2. Martha Gerrish, b. May 21, 1847; married Frank Thomas, and lives near the old home.
3. Loanda Celestia, b. July 28, 1849; died August 6, 1857.
4. Gustavus, b. December 5, 1852; died February 28, 1853.

Married, second, Hannah Gerrish Sanborn, January 9, 1855. She was sister of his first wife. She was born October 31, 1833. She is still living, and resides on the homestead. Children of this marriage were three:

1. Elvira Celestia, born June 8, 1856; married October 20, 1885, Oscar Lane of Laconia. Both she and her husband are excellent singers.
2. Napoleon Bonaparte, born April 4, 1863. He is a lawyer of eminence in Concord, N. H. Is unmarried.
3. Charles Freemont Harry, born January 26, 1868. He lives at home.

The members of the Hale family are characterized by large physique and ruddy complexion. The Sanborn homestead, which passed into the posses-

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sion of Mr. Hale, and is now the home of his surviving second wife, is beautifully situated, and commands an extensive prospect to the northeast.

4. John Simpson, born March 25, 1824. Married March 26, 1845, Hannah K. Brown, daughter of David Brown. After the birth of his fourth child, he went West and has not been heard from since. His wife is deceased. Children:

1. Julia Ellen, born October 12, 1846, in Northfield, N. H.; married Marvin Wingate. No children.
2. Laura Ann, born December 31, 1848, in Sanbornton. Lives in California.
3. John Wesley, born October 20, 1851, in Sanbornton. Lives in Amoskeag, N. H.
4. Abbie Ladora, born January 14, 1853, in Sanbornton; married Scott Stephen Eastman, November 28, 1872, who was born November 28, 1844. Lives in Hooksett, N. H.

5. Elizabeth Perkins, born July 29, 1826, in New Hampton, N. H. Married January 6, 1849, Leonard F. Creesy of Lawrence, Mass. He was born July 6, 1823, in Derry, N. H. Is a contractor and builder. Resides now in Brookline, Mass., but does business in Boston. Children:

1. Ella Augusta, born December 27, 1849, married March, 1872, William A. Perry of Manchester, N. H., who was born in that place October 22, 1848. One child, William Leonard, born October 4, 1876.

2. Emma Frances, born December 11, 1852; died August 18, 1854.
3. Frank Leonard, born December 15, 1860; graduated from Harvard College in 1882; is a lawyer in Boston; married Susie R. Chase of Brookline, Mass., June 17, 1889; has two children — Madeline C., born March 26, 1891, and Richard Lincoln, born December 25, 1893.

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4. Fred W., born October 27, 1863; married M. E. Porter of West Newton, Mass., Dec. 17, 1889. Is a journalist by profession; lives in New York; has no children.

6. Julia Ann, born September 23, 1829, in Sanbornton, N. H. Married Joseph Simonds, overseer in a mill at Manchester, N. H. She died August 17, 1870. Had two children:

1. Julia P., born March 1, 1850, in Lowell, Mass.; married a Mr. Warner; one child—Gertrude Warner.
2. Frank W., born October, 1851, in Lowell.

7. Betsey Abbie Harvey, born May 23, 1831, in Sanbornton, N. H. Married Charles E. Pierce, a civil engineer. Two children:

1. Fred Waldo, born December 25, 1855, in Dracut, Mass.; died June 3, 1863, in Portsmouth, N. H.
2. Abbie Laurenia, born June 23, 1858, in Meredith, N. H.; married May 5, 1885, Nathaniel B. Boynton of Meredith Center, N. H., where she now (1897) resides.

8. Susan Perkins, born April 14, 1834, in Sanbornton, N. H. Married June 17, 1857, Norman Robins, who died December 24, 1893. One child: Emma J., born June 9, 1858. Daughter and mother are milliners in Newton, Mass.

9. Alonzo Franklin, born May 31, 1836, in Sanbornton, N. H. Married Nancy Haskins of Grafton, N. H. Lives on the old homestead in New Hampton, two miles from the village.

10. Lydia M. Perkins, born February 20, 1840, in Sanbornton, N. H. Married January 11, 1875, John H. Sprague, who died January 18, 1893. He was a soldier in the Seventh Maine Regiment of Volunteers. She has a pension. Her present home is in Ayer, Mass. The name of her one child is Waldo Whitman, who was born August 27, 1877, in Manchester, N. H., lives in Ayer, Mass.

11. Lyman Perkins, born March 1, 1842, in New Hampton, N. H. Served in the Seventh Maine Regiment of Volunteers from 1861 to 1864. Died June 17, 1864, in the hospital at Point Lookout, Md., one month before the expiration of his time.

12. Edwin Allen, born in 1844, in Sanbornton, N. H. Died in infancy, aged 5 months and 5 days.

V. Joseph Preston, born July 23, 1794; died April 19, 1847. This is the Joseph P. Dolloff referred to in the history of Samuel Dolloff, his grandfather, as buying back the homestead, which is now owned by his daughter, Mrs. Emma Edgerly, as mentioned below. He married September 28, 1823, Betsey Young of New Hampton, N. H., who died April 15, 1847.

FAMILY RECORD.

Joseph Preston Dolloff, born July 23, 1794; died April 19, 1847.

Betsey Young Dolloff, died April 15, 1847.

Children:

1. Betsey.
2. Lavinia Preston, born January 31, 1828.
3. Martha M. Naomi, born October 24, 1829.
4. Joseph Young, born January 31, 1832; died October 29, 1859.
5. Frank Fisk, born March 19, 1835.
6. John S. S., born October 24, 1837; died June 3, 1864.
7. William Penn, born April 12, 1839; died May 30, 1891.
8. Arthur Cavano, born May 11, 1841; died April, 1845.
9. Emma Perkins, born January 22, 1845.

1. Betsey, who died four years of age.

2. Lavina Preston, born January 31, 1828. Married November 26, 1847, William E. Gordon, who was born January 26, 1826, and resides at No. 5 Jackson St., Concord, N. H. Three children:

1. Edson Arthur, died at two and a half years of age, and buried in the Dolloff burying ground New Hampton, N. H.
2. John Willie, born July 30, 1852, and has one daughter, Winnie Iva, born November 22, 1874, and married October 22, 1895, George Everett Myrpha.
3. Joseph Warren, twin of John Willie, is a physician at Wells, Me. Has one son, Frank Burnham Gordon, born March 10, 1871.

3. Martha Merriam Naomi, born October 24, 1829; died February 16, 1895. She married March 6, 1855, Edward B. Robinson of Concord, N. H., who was born September 9, 1833; died August 25, 1870. Four children:

1. Nantie Madora, born March 29, 1856; died August 25, 1857.
2. Justin Edward, born November 1, 1857; married August, Effie Annie Blake, who was born July 18, 1858; one child—Myrtie Estella, born December 30, 1882. Resides 69 Washington St., Concord, N. H.
3. Mattie Estella, born November 29, 1859; married March 29, 1883, Irving Douglas Barnard, born July 29, 1862. Three children,

i. Jennie Irving, born March 6, 1884; ii. Hazel Robinson, born November 9, 1886; iii. Justin Fred, born June 17, 1890, resides 3 Jackson St., Concord, N. H.

4. Ardella Emogene, born December 8, 1862; died August 5, 1863.

4. Joseph Young, born January 31, 1832; died October 29, 1859, and was buried in the family graveyard at New Hampton, N. H. He married Loanza Cole of Bryant's Pond, Me., and had one son, Clarence Belmont, who was born August, 1855, and is a druggist in Penacook, N. H.

5. Frank Fisk, born March 19, 1835, lived in Concord, N. H., where he died May 31, 1895. Married, first, Lizzie Bean; no children from this union. Married, second, Jennie Walker of Hebron, N. H., and had four children:

1. Harry Erman.
2. Vina Evelina.
3. Fred Frank.
4. Herbert Seavey, who died in infancy.

6. John Samuel Simeon, born October 24, 1837. Was shot in the battle of Cold Harbor, Va., June 3, 1864. He married April 14, 1856, Harriet P. Bryant of Meredith, N. H., who was born November 7, 1834. Two children:

1. Nettie M., born February 15, 1857; died November 11, 1859.

2. Albert Simeon Dolloff, M. D., born August 19, 1862. Graduated from Dartmouth Medical College June 25, 1891, and is a practicing physician, residing at No. 15 Washington St., Beverly, Mass. He married May 30, 1888, Amy J. Babb of Lowell, Mass., where she was born August 30, 1870. He has one son, Albert Franklin, born November 23, 1896.

A. S. DOLLOFF, M. D.

WILLIAM P. DOLLOFF.

7. William Penn, born April 12, 1839; died May 30, 1891. He was the originator of the celebrated rheumatic remedy, "The Wonderful Wintergreen." His home was in New York, but he died in Concord, N. H. He bore a striking resemblance to his grandfather, John Dolloff. Married, first, Annie Scott of Portsmouth, N. H. Had two children:

1. George William, born October 15, 1868; died December 11, 1893. Married Nellie Swain, born October 9, 1871; one child—Edith M., born June 5, 1894.

2. Joseph Washington, born December 22, 1870; died September 20, 1875.

Married, second, Martha B. Fanning of Nova Scotia. Had two children:

1. Ivan, born December 7, 1883.
2. Vinnie May, born March 16, 1886.

8. Arthur Cavano, born May 11, 1841; died April, 1845, and was buried in the family burying ground.

9. Emma Perkins, born January 22, 1845. Married April 25, 1869, John W. Edgerly of Meredith, N. H. As elsewhere stated, she owns the Samuel Dolloff homestead, and resides on the same a portion of the year. She has a house also in Concord, N. H. No children.

VI. Jonathan, born January 7, 1796. He lived near his father's home, and was killed November 22, 1831, by an ox team which ran over him. Married Mar. 7, 1822, Martha (Patty) Copp of Tuftonborough, N. H., who was born Oct., 1797. After Mr. Dolloff's death she married, second, a Mr. Dow, and third, Silas Buzzell; died in Ellsworth, Me., June 10, 1868.

ELIJAH B. DOLLOFF.

Children of Jonathan Dolloff:

1. Elijah Blake, born January 15, 1824; died November 20, 1894, at Lawrence, Mass. His wife's name was Lucy Ann Moses, whom he married August 12, 1845. She was born January 7, 1824; died July 24, 1893. Three children:

1. Flora Ann, born October 15, 1846; died February 19, 1848.
2. Samuel Moses, born November 25, 1847; died September 29, 1849.
3. Laura Ella, born July 5, 1850. Resides at No. 369 Lowell St., Lawrence, Mass.

2. David Copp, born September 27, 1825. Married Abby Cummings of New Hampton, N. H., in 1847. Had five children, of whom three are living:

1. Jane Clark, who has two children, and lives in Lawrence, Mass.
2. James Monroe, who has two children and lives in Ashburnham, Mass.
3. Abby Glidden, who has one child, and lives in Haverhill, Mass.

3. Elizabeth Ela, born March 8, 1827. Married, first, December 24, 1851, John Page Hoyt of Wentworth, N. H., who died January 7, 1857. There was one son from this marriage, born in 1854, and died aged six months. Married, second, August 20, 1868, Capt. James Willis Low, in New York city. He served in the Twenty-first New Jersey Volunteers, nine months' call, 1862-3; died

April 16, 1896. She receives a pension. Present address, Mrs. James Willis Low, Ayer, Mass.

4. Mahala Preston, born February 16, 1829; married December 5, 1848, John Dudley Judkins of Sanbornton, N. H. Present address, No. 521 Lowell St., Lawrence, Mass.

5. Harriet Smith, born March 27, 1831; married, first, McLenden, second, Charles Kimball, third, John Cheeney. Resides 521 Lowell St., Lawrence, Mass.

VII. Betsy Simpson, born May 8, 1798; married Joseph Palmer.

Children: 1. Beniah. 2. Sally. 3. Elijah. 4. Betsey. 5. Rosina. 6. Irvin I., who lives in St. Regis Falls, N. Y. Millwright and contracts building.

VIII. Sally Veasey, born June 20, 1801, in New Hampton, N. H. Married Henry Batchelder of Epsom, N. H., who was born August 5, 1800, in Meredith, N. H. He was hotel-keeper in Epsom. About 1850 he removed to Phillips, Me., where he died July, 1869. She died in the same town August 9, 1872.

Children of Sally Veasey Dolloff Bachelder:

1. Mary E., born December 17, 1821, in New Hampton, N. H. Married John Wiggin of Northwood, N. H. Resided in Dover in 1870.

2. Hannah Pearson, born October 20, 1823.

Married, first, Nathaniel Morrison. Married, second, William Marvel of Farmington, Me.

3. Lucinda Dow, born September 21, 1825. Married Samuel Richardson of Dover, N. H.

4. Charles Simson, born October 1, 1827. See Sanbornton (N. H.) Town History, p. 27.

5. Eliza Kelley, born August 29, 1830. Married John Stevens, and lives near Farmington, Me.

6. Lydia Dow, born August 19, 1832. Married James Dill of Phillips, Me.

7. William Henry, born October 27, 1834. Enlisted in the Sixteenth Maine Regiment, in the Civil War, and was killed in battle, leaving a wife and one son in Phillips, Me.

8. George G., born July 10, 1837. Was married and lives in Phillips, Me. His wife died April, 1875.

9. Sarah Jane, born January 27, 1840; married and lives in Phillips, Me.

10. John D., born December 4, 1842. He is a farmer, and lives on his father's old place in Phillips, Me.

IX. Elijah Blake, born April 19, 1803. Married, friends say, Electa Blackie of Center Harbor, N. H. (But the New Hampton, N. H., Town Records state that Elijah B. Dolloff married Sally Bryant of Meredith, February 12, 1825.) He had three children—two sons and a daughter. He lost an arm when firing a salute one Fourth of July. He went West, and died, place and time unknown.

X. Beniah, the youngest of the children of John Dolloff, Sr., was born April 18, 1805, in New Hampton, N. H. He married Clarissa Veasey of Boston in 1827. He took care of his parents in their declining years, and received the farm. His father died in 1833. In 1842 he sold the place to Deacon Daniel Veasey, who lived near, and whose son, Lyman Veasey, still owns the property. The house has been pulled down, but the barn remains. For three years after the sale of the place Beniah Dolloff resided in New Boston, about four miles distant; but in 1845 he removed to Boothbay Harbor, Me., where his wife's brothers lived. This continued his place of residence until his death which occurred July 7, 1869.

BENIAH DOLLOFF.

Beniah Dolloff was a man of medium size, and is described as "ingenious, industrious, fond of music, and one of the best men that ever lived." His wife was born October 9, 1810, and died January 7, 1869, six months before her husband. She is spoken of as "a cultivated lady, lovely in every respect, and a devoted Christian."

Beniah Dolloff, born April 18, 1805; died July 7, 1869.
Clarissa V., born October 9, 1810; died January 7, 1869.

Children:

1. Eliza Paine, born August 9, 1829; died May 1, 1837.
2. Frances Tuman, born November 20, 1831.
3. George Washington, born February 1, 1833.
4. Charles Henry, born June 11, 1834.
5. Adeline Murray, born December 4, 1838; died July 21, 1860.
6. Warren Lovell, born February 1, 1840.
7. Beniah Preston, born August 26, 1842; died December 28, 1880.
8. Clara Elizabeth, born January 4, 1847.
9. Julia Maria, born July 31, 1848.

All were born in New Hampton, N. H., except the two last.

1. Eliza Paine, born August 9, 1829; died suddenly May 1, 1837, and was buried in the Dolloff burying ground in New Hampton.

2. Frances Tuman, born November 20, 1831. In 1859 married Addison Wesley Lewis of Boothbay, Me. Mr. Lewis was First Lieutenant in Co. A, Twentieth Regiment of Maine Volunteers. He was an active member of the Baptist Church. His death occurred December 31, 1894. Mrs. Lewis resides at Boothbay Harbor, Me. No children.

3. George Washington, born February 1, 1833. He lives on the homestead of his father. He is tall and of light complexion. He married, first, Ellen McCobb, September 20, 1871. She was born July 19, 1829; died January 8, 1879. Married, second, Julia Ann Webster, October 27, 1882. She was born October 14, 1842. One child: Raymond Webster, born December 17, 1887.

GEORGE W. DOLLOFF.

4. Charles Henry, born June 11, 1834. Married February 5, 1875, Emma Eliza Pinkham. She was born November, 1849. Two children:

CHARLES H. DOLLOFF.

1. Myrtie Emma, born March 18, 1879.
2. Charles Benjamin, born August 20, 1888.

5. Adeline Murray, born December 4, 1838; died of consumption July 21, 1860. Unmarried.

6. Warren Lovell, born February 1, 1840. A de-

scription of him says; "He was tall, of light complexion, and good looking." July 3, 1865, he married Helen Augusta Beath of Boothbay, Me. He enlisted in the Fourteenth Maine in the Civil War and served till the close of hostilities. He had one son: Frank Hobbs, born October 25, 1867, in Boothbay and resides at 100 Exchange St., Portland, Me.

7. Beniah Preston, born in New Hampton, N. H., August 26, 1842. Married December 28, 1866, Mary Frances Blake of Boothbay, Me. She was born in Boothbay, Me., February 18, 1845. Three children:

1. Grace Ames, born December 11, 1867.
2. Sherburn Rufus, born May 30, 1870.
3. Moses Preston, born May 14, 1879.

On his twentieth birthday Beniah enlisted in Co. K, Nineteenth Regiment of Maine Volunteers. He served three years, and was promoted "for bravery and meritorious conduct." After passing through many battles safely, he was killed in his own dooryard by the upsetting of a carriage, December 28, 1880. He was a faithful member of the Methodist Church. He belonged to the choir, and was also a member of the band of Boothbay. An obituary notice, speaking of his funeral, says: "Many cheeks unaccustomed to tears were wet, and voices of strong men quavered with suppressed emotion."

8. Clara Elizabeth, born January 4, 1847, in Boothbay. She married July 14, 1867, James McDougal, who was born February 8, 1845. Residence, No. 93 Sixth St., Chelsea, Mass. Children;

1. Clara Lewis, born May 26, 1869.
2. Frank Clarence, born February 1, 1877.

9. Julia Maria, born July 31, 1848, in Boothbay Harbor, Me. Married June 22, 1868, Charles E. Giles of East Boothbay, Me. He was born October 14, 1843. When eighteen years of age he enlisted in Co. K, Nineteenth Regiment Maine Volunteers, and served until mustered out June 1, 1865. He removed to Providence, R. I., in 1872, and resides at No. 44 Halsey St. He is an engineer in the Corliss Steam Engine Co. Children:

1. Harry Morrill, born May 23, 1869, at Boothbay, Me.; married Clara Dudley Yeans, October 15, 1890, and has two sons: Walter Carr, born January 21, 1894, and Paul Dolloff, born December 20, 1895. Harry M. Giles is a mechanical engineer in the employ of E. D. Leavett, Cambridgeport, Mass.
2. Charles Fairfax, born June 28, 1872, at Boothbay, Me. Married November 20, 1894, Mary Elizabeth McCarthy. One child: Olive Fairfax, born March 31, 1896; died March 10, 1897. Mr. Giles is in the employ of the Corliss Steam Engine Co.

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3. A son, born March 1, and died 29th of same month.
4. Sue Cousenes, born June 1, 1880.
5. George Corliss, born June 26, 1882.
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In honor of our soldier friends let us sing our National Hymn,

"My country 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty."

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